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MURRAY CITY UPDATE

Mayor’s Message August 2008

How does it make you feel when someone asks for your opinion on a problem or situation? I really like it when my children ask me for advice. When they have a successful outcome from following my counsel, it is especially rewarding for all of us.

What does asking for advice have to do with you, as a resident of our City? I would like to ask your opinion on how you think your City is doing and receive your advice on how we can improve. As part of my “State of the City” address in January, I suggested that a survey be conducted to help me understand your desires for your hometown.

The Council agreed with this initiative and funding is in place to conduct a survey.

We are contracting with Dan Jones and Associates to contact random residents to find out what is on your minds. In the next few weeks, some of you will be contacted and given the opportunity to participate. I hope you will be thinking about our City and what you would like to share. While it will take a few minutes of your valuable time, you will be providing a great service to me and your fellow citizens.

This will be used as a baseline survey and I hope future surveys will be conducted to measure prog-

ress. Thank you for your willingness to share your thoughts and opinions. I am looking forward to learning from them and will work to act upon your suggestions.

MAYOR’S OFFICE

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Council Message: “What kind of City do we want?”

The past fiscal year has been a productive one for our City, even in the face of a leveling economy. In general Utah’s economy has fared better than the national economy. In Murray gross revenue from sales tax (our greatest source of income) has been generally flat as compared to last year. However, recognizing that the national economic problems will eventually work their way down to the municipal level, during this year’s budget process the Mayor and his staff, as well as the City Council took a very conservative approach in our revenue estimates and have attempted to aggressively keep costs under control.

As we often face significant budget restraints, either imposed by the economy or by legislation enacted at the federal and state levels, we are always forced to make difficult decisions that sometimes have a very short-term impact on the City versus those that will determine the economic viability of the City for our grandchildren. Through this thoughtful evaluation process, regarding our local budget, we are constantly asking ourselves, “What kind of City do we want to be?” And, are we exercising the type of forward-looking wisdom that our predecessors did when they invested in the Power Department or our Water System. Murray is in the center of the valley and inevitably feeling growing pains as the whole valley swells with new residents. It is easy to identify the local impacts from recent growth spurts – the opening of the Intermountain Medical Center, the Fireclay development, and many others. As these and other factors compel us to look toward the future, of key importance are the questions “what type of city do we want to be in the future” and “what steps are we going to take to ensure that we manage/control the attainment of that.” Our progenitors did a pretty fine job. It is our intent to continue that tradition.

Currently, we are working through the budgeting process for fiscal year 2009. We have allocated resources to be used to help retain our employee base. We feel it is not only important to field great employees, but to retain their institutional knowledge once they have been trained and have worked in the field. Murray has a dedicated workforce, and we are ever appreciative of their tireless service.

We have also made it a priority to shore up many of the poor and failing roads in Council Districts Four and Five. Many roads in these areas are badly in need of repair. And as fuel costs rise (which directly impacts the cost of road construction) it is prudent to complete these projects sooner rather than later – working to get the best value for our dollar.

Finally, in an effort to seize our future we have set aside resources to review our land use ordinances in our historic downtown district. It is our intent to create a Master Plan for this area and hopefully encourage redevelopment of this part of our city. This area has great potential and we are investing in a plan that will attempt to consider the best and highest use for the area (with the input of all stakeholders, of course) and then put into place a plan that will, over time, allow for significant improvement.

We feel it is important to maintain the vitality of our City and ever improve our movement toward the future. If we want municipal services that are top-notch and our quality of life to be preserved in a sustainable way, it hinges on the decisions we make today. The budget process is always labor intensive, and we wish to thank the Mayor’s Office, the Finance Director, Pat Wilson and all the Murray City Department Heads for the enormous effort to provide pertinent information that supports decisions that will impact tomorrow.

MURRAY CITY COUNCIL

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Murray City Update

Power Public Power Celebration

Mark your calendars now for Murray City Power’s annual Public Power Celebration on September 18th. Come join Murray City’s citizens, businesses and employees in a celebration at Murray City Park from 4:00-6:30 p.m. Public Power week is September 14-20. This is a time when Public Power communities across America celebrate the benefits of owning

and operating their own electric utilities. The celebration will be held at Pavilion #5 (just south of the swimming pool). Events are free to all Murray citizens, including food, equipment and safety demonstrations, and a “Power Bucks” drawing for \$1,500 in various power-bill credits for customers of Murray City Power. Watch for more details in the PowerLines newsletter included with your utility bill.

For more information, please call 264-2729

City Councilman Robbie Robertson invites you to a Neighborhood Meeting for District 2

Tuesday, September 30, 2008
From 6:00-7:30 p.m.

The purpose is an open forum to discuss current City issues and to receive input from our residents. More information will become available on our website at www.murray.utah.gov

Hope to see you there!

Contact the Council Office at 264-2603 with questions.

Fire Department

C.E.R.T. Course for Residents

Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) is an 8-week emergency preparedness class to help you and your family in case of a natural or man-made disaster. The class is taught by members of the Murray City Fire Department

and is free to the public. C.E.R.T. classes will start on September 10th and conclude on October 29th, and will be held every Wednesday night from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. For larger church or civic groups, please contact us first. Class size is limited to approximately 30 people.

For questions, or to sign up, please contact Fire Inspector George Zboril at 264-2773 or email to gzbopil@murray.utah.gov

Heritage Center

Blood tests will be offered Thursday, August 21st at the Heritage Center from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Appointments can be made starting August 7th.

Don’t miss Last Nights Fun on Monday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m. This is the final concert in the Free Family Night Concert series, presented by the Murray Cultural Arts department. Complete meals are available from 5:30-7:00 p.m. for \$6 at the door, or you are welcome to bring your own picnic.

Dr. Rolfe Horsley from IHC will offer skin cancer screenings on Thursday, September 23 at 10:00 a.m. Appointments are required, and can be made beginning August 14. This is a free screening.

The Heritage Center is located
at 10 West and 6150 South.
Call 284-4240 for more
information.

ACCESS TO AGENDAS OF MEETINGS OF THE MURRAY CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Did you know that agendas...

- Are posted in marquees in City Hall at 5025 S. State Street;
- Are posted on the City’s web site at www.murray.utah.gov;
- Are faxed to anyone who requests;
- Are sent by e-mail to those who request and provide an e-mail address;
- Are available on a recorded telephone message at 264-2525;
- Are broadcast on Valley TV 17 in advance of the meeting; and
- Can be picked up weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Council Office, Room 112, in City Hall, 5025 S. State Street

Need more information? Call the Council Office at 264-2603.

Police

Citizens Academy

The Murray City Police Department will be sponsoring another session of the Citizens’ Academy which will begin on Wednesday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m. Classes will be held at the Police Training Center located at 136 West Vine Street. This program is offered free of charge. Participants must either work or live in Murray City.

The Citizens’ Academy is a 10-week program designed to provide citizens with a working knowledge of the operations, practices and management of the police department. Students will learn about the service weapon carried by Murray officers, traffic stops, drunk driving arrests and domestic violence. Other topics will include homicide investigation, gathering evidence, media relations and use of force. There will be a hands-on training in addition to classroom instruction. The Citizens’ Academy culminates with a dinner where students are presented with a certificate and shirt with the Citizens’ Academy logo embroidered on it.

Two sessions of the Academy are planned each year. Applications are being accepted at this time and are available at the police department. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and must agree to a background check.

Please contact Officer Meg Rowland at 652-9839 with any questions.

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

August

- 14 – 19 Anything Goes, Murray Park Amphitheater, 8 p.m.
- Celebration of Dance, Murray Park Amphitheater, 8 p.m.
- 23 – Health and Safety Fair, MHS, 10 - 2 p.m.
- 26 – Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.

September

- 1 – Murray Acoustic Music Festival, Murray Park Amphitheater, 6 p.m.
- 2 – Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 13 – Miss Murray Pageant, MHS, 7 p.m.
- 16 – Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 18 – Public Power Celebration
- 23 – Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 30 – Neighborhood Meeting District 2, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

October

- 7 – Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 14 – Council Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Don’t miss the 2008 Health & Safety Fair presented by Murray Police and Fire

This event is FREE and will be held at Murray High School on Saturday, August 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Activities include K-9 and burning building demonstrations, fingerprint kits, blood drive, immunizations, car seat checkpoint, helicopters, bounce toys, a magic show, lunch and more!

For a full schedule, visit www.murray.utah.gov or call 264-2673 with questions.

Join Murray City Police Officer Ririe for a Hunter’s Safety course held at Murray City Hall

Classes will be held August 12, 13, 14, 19, 20 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The final day will be Saturday, August 23, 9 a.m. to noon.

Pre-registration is required by visiting www.wildlife.utah.gov/huntereducation

Contact the Police Department at 264-2673 with questions.

Willow Pond will be closed on August 14th



Murray’s Crime Scene Unit will be involved with Underwater Evidence Recovery training being held at Willow Pond.

Murray City Seeks Large Christmas Tree

Murray City is seeking a large spruce tree for use as the outdoor Christmas tree in front of City Hall. The tree must be a healthy spruce, at least 30 feet tall, 15 to 25 feet wide at the base, straight and symmetrical. Only trees located in Murray and the Salt Lake County area will be considered. All offers will be inspected and the best tree for the purpose will be chosen. In exchange for the donated tree, the Murray City Power’s Forestry Division will remove the tree and grind the stump free of charge. If you are interested in donating a tree, please respond by November 1, 2008. Contact Michelle at 264-2729 for information regarding this offer.



Murray City’s Christmas tree and the tree lighting ceremony are sponsored by Murray City Power and the Murray Shade Tree and Beautification Commission.



Murray City Power’s Forestry Division crew placing donated spruce tree in front of Murray City Hall.